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SAN ANTONIO ICE ARRESTS FUGITIVE SEX PREDATOR

Mexican national abused his 12-year-old stepdaughter

SAN ANTONIO, Texas – A Mexican citizen who was convicted in Chicago 18 years ago with sexually assaulting his 12-year-old stepdaughter was arrested here Tuesday by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Detention and Removal Operations.

Chicago, Ill., police arrested Javier Guadalupe Alvarez-Sanchez, 52, in 1987 charging him with sexually abusing his stepdaughter and attempted murder. Two years later the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chicago convicted him on three counts of aggravated battery and sentenced him to 14 years in prison.

Upon his release from prison, Alvarez-Sanchez was issued a final order of removal and was deported to Mexico in August 1994. According to ICE deportation records, Alvarez-Sanchez illegally re-entered the United States less than three months later.

“Those who commit unthinkable acts against our society’s most vulnerable – our children – will surely be punished,” said Marc J. Moore, ICE field office director for Detention and Removal Operations in San Antonio. “ICE will continue to work aggressively to remove those who have no legal right to remain in the United States, especially those who terrorize our communities.” Moore oversees a south Texas area that includes the cities of: San Antonio, Austin, Harlingen and Laredo.

ICE will re-instate Alvarez-Sanchez’ previous final orders of removal and again deport him to Mexico. Re-entering the United States after formally being deported is a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

Alvarez-Sanchez worked as an auto body worker for a local body shop in Chicago while in the U.S.

These absconder arrests are part of a national ICE initiative to arrest and remove fugitives in hiding who have been ordered deported from the country. The National Fugitive Operation Program (NFOP) was established in February 2002, making apprehending absconders a priority within the Department of Homeland Security. The NFOP's primary mission is to identify, locate, apprehend, process and remove fugitive aliens from the United States.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities